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FM AMEMBASSY LISBON

TO DIR NEW YORK DISTRICT FDA HEW 850 THIRD AVE BROOKLYN NY

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TAGS: ETRD, EAGR, PO

SUBJ: FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION REJECTION OF PORTUGUESE
SHIPMENT OF PIGNOLIA NUTS

1. PORTUGUESE EXPORTER SHELLLED PIGNOLIA NUTS, VASQUES
AZEVEDO MARTIN NAVARRO & CA. LDA., APPROACHED EMBASSY
RE FDA ACTION REFUSING ENTRY OF 800 CTNS (FBS CO. 1-800
BROOKLYN VIA SS VALVANUZ IT NO. 26409 11/12/74) DUE PRESENCE
E.COLI (FDA SAMPLE 031894). ACCORDING DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED
EMBASSY PRIVATE LABORATORY (FITELSON) REPORT SHOWS ABSENCE
E.COLI IN THEIR SAMPLE; HOWEVER, FDA REFUSED TO RE-EXAMINE
LOT AS WELL AS REJECTED PROPOSED RECONDITION BY PROPYLENIC
OXIDE.

2. EXPORTER FEELS PORTUGUESE PRODUCTS BEING DISCRIMINATED
AGAINST AND IN VIEW PRIVATE LABORATORY FINDINGS FDA SHOULD
RE-EXAMINE AND, IF POSSIBLE, DIVIDE INTO 4 LOTS.

3. WHILE NOT STATED EMBASSY'S IMPRESSION IS THAT EXPORTER
FEELS RECENT SHARP DROP MARKET PRICE MAJOR FACTOR
IMPORTER'S (FULD BAKERS SUPPLY CO., 240 MASSERALE ST.,
BROOKLYN, N.Y.) LACK OF INTEREST AND THUS FDA REJECTION.

4. DUE POLITICAL SENSITIVITY OF PORTUGUESE, EMBASSY
REQUEST FDA REVIEW CASE AND IF NOT PREJUDICIAL TO FDA
PROCEDURES RE-EXAM LOT.

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5. COPIES OF DOCUMENTS BEING AIRMAILED.

6. PLEASE ADVISE EMBASSY ACTION TAKEN.
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